

## Investigative and Enforcement Services

## Settlement Agreement

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<b>RESPONDENT:</b>	
<u>1<sup>st</sup> Address</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Address</u>
Transportech, LLC 15 Jonathan Drive, Suite 3 Brockton, MA 02305	<u>Registered Agent:</u> Erik C. Liebegott Transportech, LLC 15 Jonathan Drive, Suite 3 Brockton, MA 02305

**CASE NUMBER** MA08003-AC

**DUE ON OR BEFORE** June 24, 2011  
**CONTACT** [REDACTED]  
**PHONE** [REDACTED]

DATE	CITATION	DESCRIPTION
10-JUL-2007	9 C.F.R. § 2.131(b)(1)	<u>Handling of animals.</u> Transportech, LLC failed to handle animals in a manner that does not cause trauma, overheating, behavioral stress, or unnecessary discomfort.
	9 C.F.R. § 2.131(e)	<u>Handling of animals.</u> Transportech, LLC failed to ensure that five swine were never subjected to any combination of temperature, humidity, and time that is detrimental to the animal's health or well-being.  Transportech, LLC transported five healthy swine from Tufts University School of Veterinary Medicine in North Grafton, MA to Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, MA. Upon arrival at Massachusetts General Hospital the vehicle, including the air cooling and ventilation system was shut down for an extended period, subjecting the swine to elevated temperature. This lead to one of the swine suffering terminal cardiac collapse. Due to this condition, the animal was euthanized.

**PENALTY** \$ 2,250.

**TERMS**

Titles 7, 15, 19, and 21 of the United States Code authorize the Secretary of Agriculture, after providing notice and opportunity for a hearing, to impose civil penalties and other sanctions to resolve violations.

Prior to the issuance of a formal complaint seeking sanctions under the Act, The Department may enter into a stipulation to resolve the above-described violations. Your payment constitutes a waiver of your right to a hearing, a finding that the violations of law have occurred, and settlement of such violations.

If you do not pay the specified penalty within the designated time or wish to exercise your right to a hearing, this matter will be forwarded to the Office of the General Counsel for litigation. The penalty offered in this stipulation is not relevant to the sanctions the Department may seek, or that will be assessed, upon issuance of a formal complaint.

**Signature of Respondent:**

**Date:**

### PAYMENT RECORD - FOR IES USE ONLY

Payment Type	Date	Amount	Signature of IES Representative